

Kentucky Candidate Information Survey



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97th HOUSE DISTRICT



Rep. Bobby McCool



Will Hurst

Vote Kentucky!

The best way to prepare Kentucky students for the modern economy is a strong, content-rich, basic education for every child.

“STRONGLY AGREE. Education is essential to the growth of our economy and well-being of our people and future.”

Leaders should make reforming Kentucky’s antiquated tax system a top priority.

“AGREE. But must be taken with caution not to move too fast ensuring we don’t put anyone or business in jeopardy.”

In Kentucky schools, women should compete against biological women (not biological men who identify as women) in athletic contests.

Candidate chose not to participate.

“STRONGLY AGREE. Allowing a male to compete in a female sport is unfair leading to missed opportunities for the female student.”

Kentucky should pass legislation raising the minimum wage.

“UNDECIDED. Movement in this direction must be done with caution, not to cause those who are early employment skills development shortfalls.”

The state should acknowledge global warming and work to limit Kentucky’s contribution to it.

“DISAGREE. We must always seek better opportunities for providing necessary service, changing too fast may be too destructive.”

The state should stop U of L’s partnership with Louisville’s oldest abortion clinic.

“STRONGLY AGREE. This type of support must be stopped immediately, no exceptions.”

Public schools should allow students to use bathrooms and locker rooms in accordance with their chosen gender identity.

“STRONGLY DISAGREE. Allowing this type of behavior will be devastating to our customs and way of life, absolutely wrong.”

A tuition tax-credit system should be established for needy students wanting to go to non-public schools.

“DISAGREE. We currently have a tax structure to help students within education, we don’t need to add another layer of taxes.”

To reduce teen pregnancies, minors should have access to contraception without parental knowledge.

“STRONGLY DISAGREE. Let parents be parents and let education be education.”

Kentucky should legalize recreational marijuana.

“DISAGREE.”

The legislature should pass a statewide “Fairness Ordinance.”

“DISAGREE. We currently have laws in place to ensure equality and opportunity are provided to all.”

Churches and religious groups must be protected from state discrimination on the basis of their beliefs about marriage and sexuality.

“STRONGLY AGREE. Liberty of Religion is one of our Constitutional rights and should never be altered.”

About the Kentucky Candidate Information Survey (KCIS) . . .

• The purpose of the **KCIS** is to reliably report candidates’ views to voters in order to improve:

- 1) voter knowledge of the candidates;
- 2) voter participation; and
- 3) the quality of the democratic process.

• The **KCIS** is designed to neutrally, yet concisely, report the candidates’ views in their own words on a broad range of issues. Each candidate was asked to respond to the assertions listed and was given 20 words to qualify his or her response. This issues-only, head-to-head approach avoids pushing a particular agenda, but at the same time, cuts through the political rhetoric often found in campaign literature.

• The **KCIS** is a non-partisan project of the Family Trust Foundation of Kentucky, a non-profit educational organization incorporated in order to encourage and strengthen families in our state. Encouraging responsible citizenship and increasing voter participation are two of its objectives.

• For more information on the **KCIS**, call (859) 255-5300 or for more information on the candidates, visit:

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Be sure to take time to vote on Tuesday, Nov. 3!

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The Decision is Yours!

- On **Tuesday, Nov. 3**, voters will go to the polls to vote in the General Election. Ballots will include candidates for President, the U.S. Senate and House of Representatives, the Kentucky Senate (odd-numbered districts) and the Kentucky House of Representatives. Please note that not all districts have a contested race.

- For more information on your voter registration status or to find out what district you live in, please contact your county clerk or visit the Secretary of State's Voter Information Center:

sos.ky.gov/elections

Special Thanks to the Candidates . . .

We want to thank all the candidates who participated in the **Survey** and all those who considered our invitation but chose not to respond. We are grateful to everyone who stepped forward to offer their leadership by running for office in our great Commonwealth.

To Kentucky citizens . . .

We trust that you, as a citizen of Kentucky, have been served by this endeavor and that you will in turn serve your community by voting your conscience on **Tuesday, Nov. 3**.

<p>To protect the poor, the state should act to curb exorbitant interest rates charged by payday lending companies.</p>		<p>"DISAGREE. However, the State should ensure the explanation and understanding process of securing these loans are clearly documented for the recipients."</p>
<p>Personal and creative service businesses should not be forced to produce goods or services that violate their rights of conscience.</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Candidate chose not to participate.</p>	<p>"AGREE. We must be cautious to not overstep anyone's constitutional rights."</p>
<p>Illegal immigrants should be prohibited from obtaining driver's licenses and other government documents.</p>		<p>"STRONGLY AGREE. The individual is here illegally which is a crime. Are we going to provide waivers on other crimes?"</p>
<p>Recent school shootings prove that we need more restrictive gun laws.</p>		<p>"DISAGREE. We need to hold individuals more accountable for their actions."</p>
<p>Because they leave children sterile for life, transgender surgeries and hormone treatments on minors should be banned.</p>		<p>"STRONGLY AGREE."</p>
<p>Schools should familiarize students with all sides of debates on issues like evolution and global warming.</p>		<p>"AGREE. Becoming knowledgeable of different opinions will only make us stronger."</p>
<p>Kentucky should pass expanded gambling legislation to fund state pensions.</p>		<p>"DISAGREE. We must dedicate the resources to a promise that has already been made."</p>
<p>University of Kentucky's tuition is now several times higher than in 2002. All state college tuition increases should be limited.</p>		<p>"STRONGLY AGREE, and all higher educational institutions must become more accountable and transparent of their spending habits."</p>
<p>List your top three priorities should you be elected.</p>		<p>"1. Economic development for each county. 2. Education - staying committed to current & retired teachers. 3. Transparency of State & State-supported institutions' spending."</p>

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